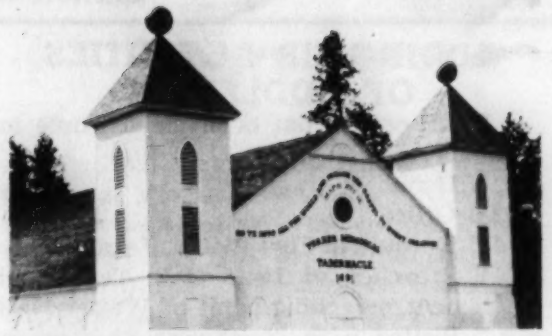

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Church Life Revival Held for Nyssa Area

Dale W. Medearis, national director of town and country churches for our Brotherhood, had a twelve-day pilot revival at our Nyssa church, where Austin Hollingsworth is minister, February 3-14.

The Nyssa church was designated as the one church in the state to be used as the local unit for a first-hand study and survey of the place and purpose of a "town and country church." The studies covered the sociological, economic and religious potentialities of the Nyssa community.

Although no figures are available as The Oregon Christian goes to press concerning the Nyssa area, it is known that nationally for the past 15 years there has been a net migration of people from rural to urban America of some three-quarters of a million, annually. Most of these people are between 18 and 24 years of age. The adjustment from rural to city life is often quite difficult to make. The Nyssa meeting was one means of assisting the churches of the area to meet this problem.

The first three days were largely given over to acquainting the visiting ministers with the program and how to administer it. Following the initial studies, Mr. Medearis, for three evenings, proposed to the Nyssa church its responsibilities in the fields of education, evangelism and stewardship.

Beginning with the second Sunday, trained workers were sent out in visitation evangelism and Mr. Medearis preached a series of evangelistic sermons from Sunday through Friday. As immediate results of this evangelistic effort, two were added by confessions of faith and six otherwise. Total results cannot be determined until more time has elapsed.

Other of our ministers who assisted in the Nyssa meeting were Charles H. Addleman, State Secretary; H. L. Porter, minister of Hood River Valley Christian Church; and Walter A. Barnes, minister at Enterprise. Other ministers who visited part of the conference were Ed L. Eldridge, field representative, Northwest Christian College; Hugh Foster, minister at Vale; and Emil Helseth, minister at Ontario.

We appreciate the work done by the Nyssa church and Mr. Medearis. We commend the project to all of our churches. Even the larger churches will find the program a real church life revival when the total program is carried through.

Some of our church leaders snapped at the Salem session of the Annual Meeting of the Oregon Council of Churches, left to right, were: Mrs. E. C. Gilbert, Corvallis; Mrs. Opal Carson, former Christian Women's Fellowship president, Salem; Gilbert B. Christian, executive secretary Oregon Council of Churches; Ross J. Griffeth, president, Northwest Christian College and vice president, Oregon Council of Churches; Mrs. Lester Jones, wife of our minister at Albany; Mrs. Lynn Neal, Silverton; and Dudley Strain, host minister.

PLANS FOR CHRISTIAN ACTION TO BE IMPLEMENTED

The adoption of a resolution to secure signatures for an initiative petition to be placed on the November ballot to make pari-mutuel gambling unlawful in Oregon, was the major action taken by four identical sessions of the Annual Meeting of the Oregon Council of Churches which met February 5-8 at Pendleton, Portland, Salem and Roseburg. The Salem meeting was held in the First Christian Church. Each church should make every effort to encourage members to sign the anti-gambling petitions whenever they are made available.

Another resolution adopted, called for the immediate appointment of a full-time Protestant chaplain at the State Hospital in Salem to meet an urgent need there.

The theme of the annual meeting of the Council was "Christian Men, Women and Youth Working Together for a Better State and Community."

Dr. Edward Rapp, New York, director of Juvenile Protection for the American Baptists, presided over a forum dealing with Juvenile Protection and the place of the church in relationship to youth and the home. Dr. Ross J. Griffeth, president of Northwest Christian College served on the panel. Dr. Griffeth also presided at the general session and during the evening meeting at the Salem session.

Three conferences on the general theme of "United Protestant Action in the Local Community" were included in each of the sessions. These included United Church Laymen, Council of Church Women and United Youth Work.

Mr. Ernest Peterson, church editor, Oregon Journal, and Mr. John Merrifield, Portland insurance executive and member of the executive committee, department of United Church Men, National Council of Churches, brought the evening messages. Peterson's subject was, "Stabbed Wide Awake" and dealt with the problems of Europe based on information gained on his recent trip there. Merrifield spoke on "Christian Laymen United in Kingdom Building" and called for increased activity by the men in the church in dealing with the basic problems of each community.

Ross J. Griffeth was re-elected as one of the six vice presidents of the Oregon Council of Churches for the coming year.

HEY! WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR CHURCH?

Cooperation is the key to the success of any worthwhile venture. Our churches all over the state seem to recognize this fact and are cooperating well in making The Oregon Christian one of the outstanding (in our opinion) state papers of our Brotherhood. For the assistance rendered by churches and individuals, your editor is deeply grateful.

To insure continued "team work" in publishing your state Christian paper, and to improve and streamline the working procedure, it is thought that a discussion of policies would be in order.

News cards are sent out each month for the convenience of the churches in reporting their activities for that month. The deadline date is noted on this card (also in each issue of The Oregon Christian). Most churches meet the deadline—many are consistently late. For instance, the bulk of the news for this issue was not received until two days after the deadline date. I do not want to be overly critical on this point because you are doing a fine job in returning the cards. Promptness would be appreciated, however.

More important, is the matter of additional news articles—that of general interest to all churches and is in addition to that included on the news card. I am sure our people are interested in the "goings on" of other congregations. Quite often this can best be told with a picture and caption or an accompanying article. Each church should make a point of sending in pictures and articles of local events. Share your experiences and ideas with all of us.

An outstanding example of what we mean is our church at Hillsboro. This church, under the able leadership of Newell Morgan, is doing an outstanding work. Moreover, they are not ashamed to let others know of their work. Pictures and articles of events at Hillsboro have probably appeared more often in The Oregon Christian than those of any other church. The church has deserved every bit of the publicity it has received and will continue to receive it. We should be proud of the progress being made there.

But the Hillsboro Church does not have a monopoly on the Lord's work in Oregon. Look at the "Around the State with the Churches" section in each issue and notice that many of the reports could well be amplified for the good of all. For instance, "Bible School attendance highest in history . . . ;" or, "successful training classes held;" or, "building being enlarged . . .;" or "young people presented . . . " How? Why? Who? These questions could easily be answered pictorially. Start sending them in. They will be used.

Thus far, your editor has not been deluged with pictures. We have tried to be fair

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ADDING UP ACTIVITIES OF ADDLEMAN

In office and out of office schedule for January:

1 Home.
2-3 Office.
4-5 Enroute to Fort Worth, Texas.
6 Preached at Lone Oak, Texas, stuuent preaching point of Walter Naff.
7 Visited with Northwest Students at TCU.
8-10 National Conference for Camp and Conference directors.
11-12 Enroute to Portland.
13 Two sermons at Yamhill, called on Boosingers at Forest Grove.
14 Office half day, State Board Planning retreat at Menucha.
15-16 At Menucha.
16-18 Oregon Preacher's Parliament at Eugene.
19 Home.
20 Sermon at Kern Park, Portland, awarded perfect attendance pins to 56 Bible School pupils for perfect tendance in 1951.
21 Office, special conference in Salem on Christian Education.
22 Office half a day, School of Missions at Hillsboro.
23 Portland area Christian ministers breakfast, office, one conference.
24-25 La Grande in East Oregon set-up meeting for Convention and Summer Camps.
26-27 Pendleton preaching one sermon and installing CYF officers.
28 Office half day, 2 conferences.
28-29 Conference in Eugene on Summer Camp and Conference program.
30-31 Office, 3 conferences.

Help! Help!! Who Called for Help???

Last spring many requests came to the Children's Work Committee for help in setting up Daily Vacation Bible Schools in churches over the state.

It was impossible to answer all of these calls, but we are glad that this year we have found a way to partially meet that need.

You no doubt know from publicity that has gone out from our state office, and through Oregon Christian, that Miss Ruth Towne is available weekends to help in the field of children, youth and adult work during the next six months.

Since the time is at hand to make preparation for this year's Daily Vacation Bible Schools, we are suggesting that perhaps one of the best uses to be made of her services would be in the realm of D.V.B.S. Institutes. If you are interested in this, you may want to make plans with other churches in your district for such an institute.

We hope that you will avail yourselves of this timely opportunity, and will contact Miss Towne immediately at 28 Park Terrace, Corvallis, Oregon.

NINETY AND NINE MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

—By Ed Dewees

The four-night campaign of intensive calling at Florence closed on February 14 with 26 decisions reported by the 14 visitors (including Wm. Imhoff, minister). On Decision Sunday, February 17, there were 26 responses—12 by confession or to complete obedience in baptism and 14 by transfer. The new Allison Park church in the Danebo district of Eugene began their week of intensive calling on that same day. However, the campaign at College Crest was postponed to a future time since the present members felt the need of more preparatory work in that new field.

The Hermiston church unanimously voted to hold a visitation campaign during the first full week in May, following the Eastern Oregon church convention at La Grande, April 28-30. Word comes from the local Ninety and Nine group in North Bend that they are planning to sponsor a regular calling program there as a follow-up to the week of visitation held last November.

District Rallies Well Attended

Blue Mountain, Yamhill and McKenzie districts held their regular rallies on January 21. McKenzie attendance at Junction City reached a new high of 85 (the officers wonder how Yamhill fared at Dayton that night) and the goal for the Creswell rally on March 17 is 100 (or was it 99?). Blue mountain men managed to make a neat 58 at Hermiston with every active Christian church represented.

Another round of rallies on January 28 included the Northwest District at Kern Park, Portland; the South Willamette District at Albany; and the Crater Lake District at Ashland. At the last-named rally, Elmer Newton of Ashland was elected president for 1952 to succeed Bud Stiger of Grants Pass.

How the Figures Look

According to state financial secretary, Ed Crook, they don't look so good. Still, $624.00 did come in for the general fund in January and the outstanding bills (all for current year of 1951-52) were not increased beyond the $1285.33 reported on December 31. If funds designated for the state work could be forwarded more promptly to state treasurer, Elmer M. Patterson, 594 14th Ave. E., Eugene, he could meet the bills promptly.

Lowell Receives $1000 MMM Check

When Elmer M. Patterson, state treasurer for the Ninety and Nine Men's Brotherhood, presented a $1000.00 check on February 3 to Bert Fegles, elder of the Lowell church, the first half of a goal set at the Lebanon convention was met. It remains for present members and new recruits to the ranks of the Millennium Minuté Men to complete the second half of that goal through offerings for the Gates church.

Church at Lowell under construction. Glen Lyda, N.C.C. student, is minister there.

The Gates brethren gave permission for a portion of the MMM offerings designated there to be used to complete the Lowell $1000.00. In keeping with the adoption of the 1951-52 budget for the Ninety and Nine, the visitation evangelism payments received from churches are to be used for new churches or other special evangelistic projects. Thus $225.00 to date is being held toward the Gates project, but will not need to be used if sufficient MMM funds are made available.

Due to a complete revision of the mailing list, not all MMM members have received an individual notice of the Lowell-Gates call. Therefore those who have not turned in offerings should give a minimum of $2.00 which will help complete the $1000.00 for Gates.

Dates Set for Camps

Clip this item for future reference. Tentative date for the Greenpoint Christian Boys' Camp (Hood River) is June 29-July 5, but further announcement concerning the camp will be made next month. Cove Christian Girls' Camp will be held July 6-12; Turner Christian Girls' Camp, July 13-19; Turner Christian Boys' Camp, July 20-26; Crescent Lake Christian Boys' Camp, July 27-August 2; Wi-Ne-Ma Christian Boys Camp (Oretown), August 3-9; Cove Christian Boys' Camp, August 3-9; Grayback Christian Boys' Camp, August 10-16; and Grayback Christian Girls' Camp, August 17-23. These dates will be repeated and further information given as it may be needed.

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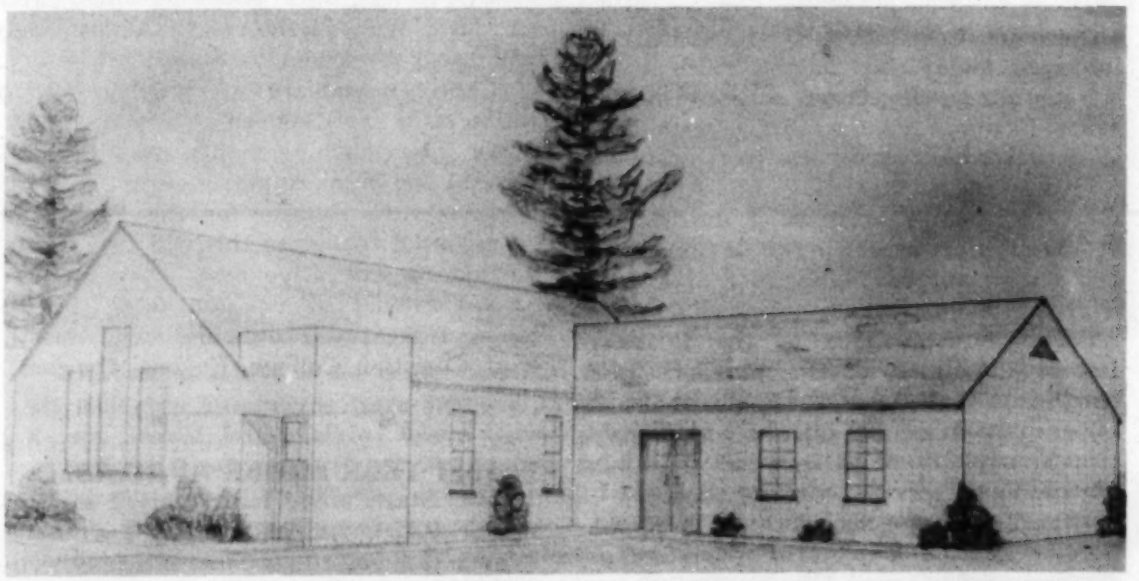
COMING EVENTS

April 17-18, Workshop in World Order at Mallory Avenue, Portland
April 18-20, DSF Retreat at Menucha
April 20—May 6, Spring District Conventions
May 19-23, International Convention, Chicago
June 23-29, Oregon State Convention, Turner
June 29—July 5, West Oregon Youth Conference, Turner
June 29—July 5, Greenpoint Christian Boy's Camp, Hood River (tentative)
July 6-12, West Oregon Chi Rho Intermediate Camp, Turner
July 2-16, Christian Girls' Camp, Cove
July 13-19, Christian Girls' Camp, Turner
July 20-26, East Oregon Intermediate Camp, Cove
July 20-26, Christian Boys' Camp, Turner
July 27—August 2, East Oregon Youth Conference, Cove
July 27—August 2, Christian Boys' Camp, Crescent Lake
August 3-9, Southern Chi Rho Intermediate Camp and Youth Conference
August 3-9, Christian Boys' Camp, Wi-Ne-Ma (Oretown)
August 3-9, Christian Boys' Camp, Cove
August 5-9, Fourth World Convention, Melbourne, Australia
August 10-16, Christian Boys' Camp, Grayback
August 17-23, Christian Girls' Camp, Grayback

To avoid trouble, breathe through the nose. It keeps the mouth shut.



Shown above is a sketch of our church at Gates as it will look when completed in a few years. The main structure is up now and the Dedication is planned for April 20. Loren Swanson, N.C.C., is student minister.

NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

—By Ross J. Griffeth

Newell Morgan, pastor of the Christian Church, Hillsboro, Ore., was Men's Fellowship speaker at Northwest Christian College on January 29-31. His messages on Evangelism not only furnished inspiration for the young men of the College but also gave them a better understanding of how to put New Testament evangelism into practice in the local congregation.

Mrs. Victor P. Morris was headline speaker for the Louisa F. Kellems Fellowship Lectures and conferences, February 12-14. This year the Kellems Fellowship was concerned with Christian vocations. In addition to the addresses which Mrs. Morris gave, a number of others contributed guidance in preparation for specific fields of service.

The special fields of service considered, together with the conference leader, were as follows: Secretarial Work, Mrs. Jessie Smith; the Preacher's Wife, Mrs. Wm. Siefke; Social Service, Mrs. Wesley Nicholson; Missions, Mrs. Hattie Menzies; Housewife, Mrs. John Houghardy; Children's Work, Mrs. Lynnette Rhay; Church Music, Mrs. Maud Skaggs Woodyard; Education in the Public Schools, Mrs. Ross Guiley; Youth Work, Rev. Wilma Perry; Nursing, Miss Margaret Hemenway. Mrs. Carroll C. Roberts spoke to the married couples on Experiences of a Pastor's Wife.

The Louisa F. Kellems Fellowship honors Mrs. Louisa F. Kellems who contributed so much through the years to the work of Northwest Christian College.

Prof. Ward A. Rice and Dr. Ross J. Griffeth attended the Pastor's Conference at Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, Calif. The Conference was held February 19-21.

Northwest Christian College Day is to be observed in the various congregations of the Northwest on May 4. E. M. Eldridge, Field Representative, is busy making preparations for this great day which provides an avenue through which Christians are informed about the College, students are enlisted for coming years, and offerings are taken to make possible the continuance of Christian education in the Northwest.

According to statistics published in the recently issued Year Book of the Disciples of Christ, Northwest Christian College had in training approximately 24% of all ministerial students in institutions which make reports of attendance to the Board of Higher Education of Disciples of Christ. Northwest Christian College reported a total enrollment of 420 different students in 1950-51 and 371 of these were in training for employed service with the churches.

The February issue of the N C C BULLETIN carried a picture of preliminary sketches for a new Library Building at Northwest Christian College. This building is still in the "dreaming" stage since no funds are currently available for further building at this time. However, the Library Building is greatly needed.

Mrs. Victor P. Morris

Northwest Christian College is so organized that the members of the churches have opportunity through the Board of Trustees which they select to guide the policies of the institution. Elery A. Parrish is a new member of this Board, representing the Alumni Association. Victor P. Morris was re-elected to the Board as one of three Oregon representatives. His next term will expire in 1955.

The Religious Education Practicum, April 14-25, which provides practical teaching experiences under direction, is open to Northwest Christian College students and workers in the churches who will meet the usual requirements for college work. Two term hours of college credit will be offered for those successfully completing the Practicum requirements.

Work offered in the Practicum this year will be: Kindergarten, Mrs. Rolland Moshire; Primary, Mrs. Marie Newman; Junior, Mrs. Wm. Siefke. Mrs. Oakley Rhay will direct the school.

Churches that are interested in helping teachers in the Children's Department improve their teaching ability would do well to send one or more persons from such departments to Eugene for the Practicum. Any church that does this will find the investment a productive one.

For further information about the Religious Education Practicum, write: Northwest Christian College, Eugene, Oregon.

1951 YEAR BOOKS AVAILABLE

The State office has received on consignment 12 copies of the 1951 Year Book. Anyone desiring to purchase one may write the office for a copy. They will cost you $2.00 plus 15c for postage.

Spring District Conventions

The District Presidents met at Menucha and again at Eugene during the Preacher's Parliament and set up the schedule and program of the series of conventions. The theme is, "Stewards of His Grace." The schedule is as follows: Mid-Columbia, April 20; Douglas-Coos, April 21; Southern Oregon, April 23; East Oregon, April 28-30, beginning with a men's program on the evening of the 28th; Willamette, May 2; Northwest, May 5; and Lane County, May 6. Elmer G. Boyer, veteran missionary to the Belgian Congo will travel with the team. Your District President will announce the place of the convention and tell you more about the program.

MARCH 20

News and Picture Deadline

Mrs. R. M. Day

HONORED

Mrs. R. M. "Mom" Day, and her birthday cake with 80 candles. Members of her class at the First Christian Church of Eugene held a reception for her in honor of her eightieth birthday anniversary. "Mom" has been working actively in the church since she was a girl and has with C. F. "Pop" Swonder been one of the two who have worked in the Turner Conferences since its beginning.

Sweethearts Crowned

The second annual SWEETHEART SEARCH of the Hillsboro, Oregon Christian Church was climaxed on the evening of February 12, 1952, with the coronation of the Sweetheart and the Little Sweetheart of the Bible School. This search began the first Sunday in the new year and ran for six weeks. A great deal of interest was developed and a new high in attendance of 501 was reached during the search. Each class in the Bible School from the Intermediates up nominated a candidate for the search and each department from the Juniors down also nominated a candidate. From these were elected the two who were crowned.

The crowning was part of a Church Family Night dinner and Sweetheart Program. Mrs. Lois Mann, the Candidate from the Christian Co-Workers Class was crowned the Sweetheart of the Bible School. This class more than doubled their attendance during these six weeks. The Little Sweetheart of the Bible School was Gail Lurgio, she was the candidate from the Beginners Department. Mr. Francis Beach, Chairman of the Church Board was the one who placed the crowns. Mrs. Newell Morgan, the minister's wife was general Chairman of the SWEETHEART SEARCH

Instructor (addressing medical students) —"The muscles of the patient's leg has contracted until it is much shorter than the other. Therefore he limps. Now what would you do in such circumstances?"

Student—"I'd limp, too."

OREGON CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

By Mrs. Edna L. Burke

Ontario Fellowship reports having given a salmon dinner for the White Swan Christian Indian Mission. It turned out to be one of the most inspirational and profitable experiences they have had. Pictures of the Mission and the work being done there under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Norment, were shown. An offering was taken for the Mission. Canned salmon will be provided by the Mission to any church desiring to give a dinner and take an offering for the Mission. Contact Mr. Norment.

Since we have the Norments here in the Northwest as Directors of the White Swan Indian Mission work, we are more interested and feel more closely tied up with their former field of service, Paraguay. A new project has been started in Paraguay this year. Plans for the opening of a Fellowship Mission in Asuncion to serve the underprivileged which heretofore, have not been reached are materializing. Through designated gifts to A Crusade for a Christian World, funds have been provided toward the building of a social hall and a missionary home. It is hoped that the government will see fit to donate the land needed. Mr. J. Raymond Mills will direct the work.

Colegio Internacional, started in 1918, has become a fine accredited school which, however, had necessarily to limit its attendance to carefully selected students. It is recognized as the best in the nation and has won the confidence of the people so that they are now more sympathetic to the preaching of the gospel. This opened the way for the establishment of a church in 1940, which has had a steady growth.

The number of churches and organizations maintaining link relationships with missionaries is now three times greater than in 1940. Eleven years ago 158 living links were being maintained by churches and groups through the United Society. By November of 1951, the total had grown to 461 in spite of the fact that it takes more than twice as much to keep the relationship going as in 1940.

The state board of Christian Women's Fellowship in session in Eugene in January sent telegrams of protest to our Senators relative to the proposal to send a representative to the Vatican and also with reference to Universal Military Training.

Reports have been coming in from all parts of the state concerning the organization and blessings derived from Prayer cells. If you need more information so that you may organize women in your Fellowship or church, contact Mrs. Ralph Cook, 120 Start St., Medford. Mrs. Cook is the Spiritual Life chairman for the Christian Women's Fellowship.

In January, the Forest Grove Fellowship sponsored a birthday luncheon which was attended by over one hundred women of the church. Twelve tables each representing a different month in the year were set.

Several members of the State Christian Youth Fellowship Committee and their Adult Advisory Committee were snapped at the recent Youth Fellowship Meet held at Salem. Seated, left to right: James Cornett, Associate Minister, Eugene First Church; Mrs. John Boosinger, wife of the minister at Forest Grove; Miss Ruth Towne, State Children's and Youth Worker, Corvallis; and Donald Payne, minister of Christian Education, Salem First Church. Standing, left to right: Sharon Cox, Springfield—State Co-president; Christine Siefke, Eugene—State President; Mike Benedict, Salem-Southern Oregon Conference President; Shirley Knox, Springfield—W. Ore. Conference President; and Jolene Hoppe, Eugene—State Secretary-treasurer. A report of the four Youth Meets held at Medford, Salem, Hood River and La Grande during February and March will appear in the April issue of The Oregon Christian.

Standing left to right: Albert Paget, Malcolm Norment, John Runyon, Clifton Peightal, Dale Sawyer. Seated, Dr. E. R. Moon and Mrs. Albert Paget. Absent when the picture was taken was Mrs. Fern Griffeth.

Hillsboro Holds School of Missions

The second Annual School of Missions was held at the Christian Church, Hillsboro, Oregon on January 20-22. The purpose of this School was to set forth the missionary preparation and its need and also a study of different missionary fields, as to the type of work conducted there and the needs of these fields.

Those present at the School as guest speakers were: Mr. Albert Paget, returned Missionary from the Belgian Congo; Mr. Malcolm Norment, Superintendent of the Yakima Indian Christian Mission, White Swan, Washington; Mr. John Runyon, Superintendent of the McKinley Indian Mission, Toppenish, Washington; Mr. Clifton Peightal, student Northwest Christian College in Missionary preparation; Mr. Dale Sawyer, student Northwest Christian College in Missionary preparation; Dr. E. R. Moon, returned Missionary from Belgian Congo, Mrs. Albert Paget; and Mrs. Fern Griffeth, who teaches missions at Northwest Christian College.

The School was very profitable and well attended.

Direct Support Missionary Conference to Be Held

J. Frank Cunningham, Newberg, Chairman of the Continuation Committee, reports that the Northwest Direct Support Missionary Conference to be held at the Eugene Armory, March 13-14, will bring together missionaries from the The Philippines, Burma, India, Tibetan border, Canada and Alaska, in addition to those serving the American Indians, French Acadians in Louisiana, and Mexican and Jewish missions in California.

Registration and housing for Conference delegates will be taken care of Thursday afternoon, March 13, with the keynote sessions that evening. There will be panel discussions and addresses throughout Friday, with the banquet at 5:15 o'clock p.m. Friday, to be held at the First Baptist Church. The conference will close with the Friday evening session.

Prominent among the missionaries to be featured will be such men as Hollins Duhon, of the French Acadian Mission in Louisiana; Willis Hale, veteran missionary to the Philippines; and Melvert Byers, missionary to the Tibetan Border Countries.

For information as to registration, housing, etc., write the office of Fairmount Church of Christ, 17th and Columbia, Eugene.

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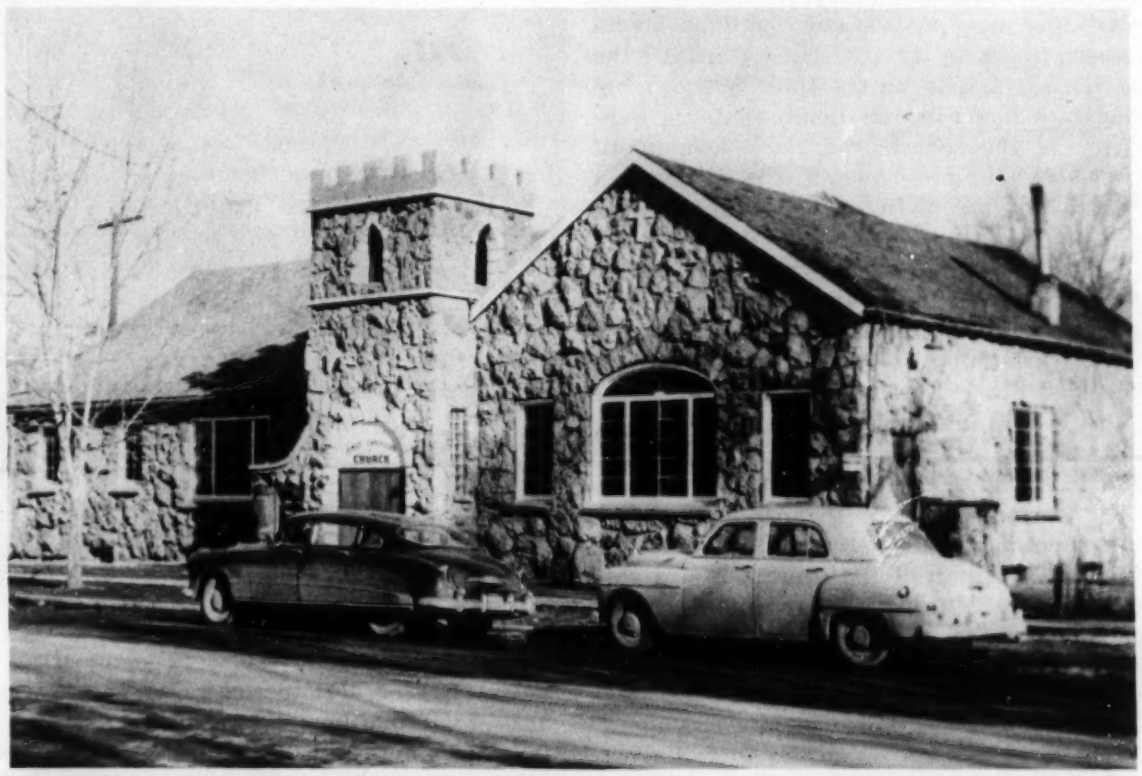
January Missions Giving

Portland, Kern Park	$ 5.00
St. Helens	10.00
Gladstone	38.70
Astoria	50.00
Carlton	7.35
Silverton	125.00
Hood River First	42.48
Central Oregon Assembly of Churches of Christ	65.00
Lebanon	50.00
Tillamook	36.13
Milton	30.80
Bend	75.00
Salem, Court Street	83.32
Wallowa	96.90
La Grande	53.45
Baker	10.00
Lebanon	59.00
Newberg	15.00
Oakridge	15.88
Eugene, First	150.00
Portland, First	100.00
Albany	125.00
Lebanon	27.40
Portland, Kern Park	23.33
Burns	196.06
Roseburg	25.00
Portland, Parkrose	100.00
Hillsboro	100.00
Portland, Southeast	20.00
Grants Pass Bible School	22.38
Pendleton	83.48
Coquille	36.72
Vernonia	25.00
Springfield	100.00
Corvallis	27.78
Salem, First	66.66
Individuals	4.00
Oregon Christian	268.50
Total	$2368.32

A minister in New York phoned another minister in California. "Is this a station-to-tation call?" asked the operator.

"No," was the reply. "Parson to parson."



Above is shown the beautiful Ontario church building where Emil Helsith is minister. Of Red Rock construction, the building was erected largely through the labors of the church members, thus eliminating considerable expense. Ed Eldridge, field representative for Northwest Christian College recently conducted a visitation evangelism campaign there. Results of the campaign will be given at a later date.

BIBLE READING ALLOWED IN MYRTLE CREEK SCHOOLS

—By Leo Horner, Minister, First Christian Church, Myrtle Creek

Editor's Note:

Because of the great interest throughout the United States and in Oregon regarding the "Church-State separation" controversy, and in view of recent court tests involving Bible reading and prayers in the public schools, it is encouraging to see how churches of Myrtle Creek have met this situation. Leo Horner, former member of Salem First Church and an N.C.C. graduate, is minister at our Myrtle Creek Church. Below, he relates how a partial victory was won.

The last week in August, and the first week in September of 1951 was our evangelistic meeting with the Lawrence Baird Revival team. During the revival we encouraged the attendance of other congregations in Myrtle Creek and each of the other churches brought special numbers from time to time. We and each of the other churches brought special numbers from time to time. We enjoyed the fellowship so much that we decided that something ought to be done to continue the good times together. Two things happened: we formed a ministerial alliance with four ministers out of five participating and the ministerial alliance in turn started what we call Youthspiration. We began these Saturday night "Youthspirations" the last week in September and have continued nearly every Saturday night since. We meet at a different church each week. It is not unusual to have more than one hundred in attendance at these youth rallies. The program usually consists of singing, quizzes, special numbers, novelties and a gospel message from an outside speaker.

At the same time the Youthspiration program was begun, the students at the High School began to ask if they might form a Bible Club in the school. The request was taken before the Myrtle Creek School Board. The request was refused in the following manner on November 16, 1951:

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION IN THE MYRTLE CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

In accordance with Paragraph 111 3014, any child attending the Myrtle Creek Public Schools, on application of his guardian or either of his parents, may be excused from school for a period or periods not exceeding 120 minutes per week to attend week day schools giving instruction in religion. Forms for such application will be provided by the principals of Myrtle Creek Public Schools.

Pupils so attending will not be marked absent.

No Myrtle Creek School activity, class or teacher may detain a pupil from attending such religious instruction classes, once he has been properly enrolled in them.

The Myrtle Creek board of education is in favor of religious instruction and is not hostile to religion or religious teaching. The use of school time, buildings and/or materials and supplies for religious training is, in the opinion of the board of education an infraction upon the intent of the public schools. This is supported in the Attorney General's opinion, dated March 17, 1948. The use of public school facilities for religious purposes is violative of the first and 14th amendments of the United States Constitution. Therefore, the Myrtle Creek public schools may not offer its facilities for religious instruction or training.

This did not in any way satisfactorily answer the request we had as a ministerial alliance. We had simply asked that the students who so desired be granted the privileges in a Bible Club granted to any other club in the school. We asked especially for "Freedom of speech, freedom of press, and freedom of assembly on their own time," and especially that they be allowed to meet at lunch period and at the regular periods provided for club activities. The issue became so confused by the action of the school board that there is still no Bible Club.

A little later on we also discovered that there was no clear understanding about the teachers reading Bible verses at the opening of the class day. Some teachers had been requested not to read the Bible but there was no ruling on the matter. After the disappointment in November, we at first were a little bit hesitant about approaching the local school board on the matter. Then in our December meeting of ministers, we decided to invite the school board to meet with us. We met on January 3, 1952.

We were to meet at 7:30 and at 7:15 a group of ministers and others interested men went on their knees before God asking that His will be done in this important undertaking for the Master. There were also a number of others throughout Myrtle Creek and the surrounding area who were praying for this meeting. Every excuse that could possibly be mustered was brought by various members of the Board as to why teachers ought not to be allowed to read the Bible "without comment" or any other way in the class room. There was not a single member of the Board who showed any evidence of favoring the reading of Bible verses without comment by the teachers who desired to do so. There were also two objections by ministers of the area. The elder from the Seventh Day Adventist Church was opposed to the granting of this liberty, and the Roman Catholic Priest registered his objection of the use of the Lord's Prayer. The meeting lasted about two hours and a half. The matter was thoroughly discussed and it seemed at the end of the session that the Board would again evade the issue in any decision. The School Board continued its meeting along while we went on home. The following clarification of the Board's policy on religious instruction was made on January 3, 1952: "Excepting that at the discretion of the teacher the reading of Bible verses and the repeating of a non-sectarian prayer as opening exercise, shall not be contrary to school policy."

We are very thankful to "God who giveth the victory" and pray that other groups of Christian workers throughout the country may take similar action to the glory of God the Father.

With this victory won, we look forward with great expectations to an additional clarification of school policy which will clear the way for the students to have a Bible Club at school. We want it to be their own.

THINKING VALUE

By Elmer I. Newton

Great thoughts make great people;
We become like what we think;
If we think unworthy thoughts
It will cause our lives to shrink.
He who thinks on higher terms
Will be lifted to that plane,
But he who thinks on baser things
Will never greatest heights attain.

We can be just what we want
If the price we choose to pay,
But it takes a lot of work
To keep our thinking clean today.
We must discipline our thinking,
And our reading, too, as well,
For as we think and as we read
Leads to Heaven, or to Hell.

It takes a lot of courage
To refuse to stand and hear
Some slightly shady story
Being whispered in your ear.
Sometimes it costs the friendship
Of one you've known for long
If you refuse to do the thing
That, for you, you know is wrong.

It takes courage to read the Bible,
Or bow one's head in prayer
When the world is looking on,
Or a scoffing friend is there.
The kind of stories that you hear,
The kind of reading that you do
Makes the difference in the thinking
Of the other man and you.

As man thinketh in his heart
So man is, the Bible states,
So our thinking must be pure
If we'd enter the Pearly Gates;
And our thinking can be pure
If the price we choose to pay,
But the price seems much to high
For a lot of us, today.

ANNOUNCING THE CHICAGO CONVENTION MAY 19-23, '52

The 1952 Annual Assembly of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ will be held at Medinah Temple, Chicago, May 19-23. The time and place of this Convention have been chosen in order that it might be possible to hold this Convention simultaneously with the Convention of our sister communion, the American Baptists. They will be meeting on identical dates in Chicago at the International Amphitheatre.

"Brotherhood Unlimited", our theme, is an emerging emphasis following the last two International Conventions of the Disciples of Christ, whose themes were: Cincinnati, 1949, "A Century of Cooperation"; Oklahoma City, 1950, "Beyond Cooperation to Brotherhood in Christ". Christian brotherhood is unlimited and our theme has relevance both for Disciples of Christ and our relationship to all other Christians.

The Committee on Program and Arrangements has quite fittingly carried forward the next steps in the LONG RANGE PROGRAM highlighted in the Area Assemblies last fall. Three sessions, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights, will be held jointly with the American Baptists at the International Amphitheatre. These will give opportunity for a mass demonstration of fellowship not only to Christians, but to America. Our Baptist brethren share much with us in church life and Christian purpose. We need to know each other better.

The International Convention should reflect a cross-section of the local church. That is, ministers, laymen, women and youth, should be present on an equal status. An effort will be made this year particularly to encourage churches to send the Chairmen of Boards, paying expenses when possible, even as ministers are encouraged to attend with expenses paid by the congregation. Such a representative attendance will provide for the normal thinking and spirit found in the local church.

Provincialism with local interests and the tendency to small vision is both a temptation and sin of most of our churches. Let's roll back the horizons and see the world-wide fields where your Brotherhood is laboring for the Master. Those who have seen the mighty ocean will never again be content to travel on small ponds. "Brotherhood Unlimited", our theme, promises glimpses of great ventures in wider cooperation, greater stewardship and a ministry dedicated to larger tasks.

Advance registrations should be sent now to H. B. Holloway, Registrar, 516 K of P Building, Indianapolis 4, Indiana, with the $3.00 fee. Registration will entitle delegates to make their hotel reservations at once. It is hoped that there will be adequate accommodations. However, with both Baptist and Disciple Conventions meeting in Chicago at the same time, it is wise to secure rooms in hotels now. No attempt is being made to offer hospitality in homes. The Chicago pattern of living provides very few "spare rooms". Registration after May 17 will be $3.50.

Beyond the Baptistry

From now until Easter is always a season for many church additions. Each congregation faces a great responsibility to these new people. They must be oriented into the life of the church and must also be oriented to their new relationship to Christ.

For years it has been the practice of many of our congregations to make the period from Easter to Pentecost a time for special stewardship teaching. Many of the ministers have received a sample packet out of which some very good material may be ordered for this special seven weeks of teaching. Remember the last half of the Great Commission, "Teaching them to observe all things" is just as important as the first half. Very often we never get people very far beyond the baptistry. Jesus had more to say about stewardship than any other subject.

People must be taught to understand and practice stewardship as well as they understand baptism. If we are going to be good disciples of Christ we must stress the things He stressed. Let every church plan to take our people beyond the baptistry into a fuller experience with Christ in a complete stewardship of life.

HEY! WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR CHURCH?

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about using too much material concerning the two churches here in Salem. In fact, rightly or wrongly, many noteworthy events of the two churches which could best be told pictorially, have been passed up so as not to have too much "Salem." Let's all get into the act.

It would be very helpful if the pictures and articles could be sent in as the events occur. Don't wait until the deadline date. Remember, since your editor has a full-time job which involves in itself considerable night work, The Oregon Christian must be edited entirely in the evenings and on weekends. Receipt of material which can be processed during the month will considerably alleviate the pressure during the final week. Should you plan to send in a picture or article of an event occurring near the deadline date, notify the editor that same will be forthcoming and space can be allotted.

By increasing our efforts to boost subscriptions, and by enlarging our news and picture coverage to include **ALL** churches, The Oregon Christian will be providing the best service possible for those of our Brotherhood in Orgon.

Let's continue working together through the pages of The Oregon Christian.

Direct-Support Missions

By Rozelle Henry

Robert H. Morse wrote in an airmail letter dated February 6 at Putao, Burma, regarding the release of his father, J. Russell Morse, from prison in Kunming, West China: "The relatives or the U. S. government cannot do anything to try to negotiate his release, as it would be all the more excuse for the Communists to either impose further punishment, or say that there is sufficient proof of Dad being a spy . . . whereas there is more hope of their being released sooner if the Commies have no definite charge to make,—which is the case now. But something on the order of Senator Knowland's shrewd move, can give the Communists no grounds for further false charges. Hence, representation by Dad's "supporting churches'" could also, possibly, be more effective, and plausible, as argument that he is in truth nothing but a missionary, not a Government financed agent of imperialism."

Guy E. Humphries reports from Bomili, Belgium Congo, on January 11, that land has been granted near Yindi (70 miles northeast from Bomili) for a sub-station and the Ransfords will open this new work as soon as the Williams family arrives on the field. The Humphries report for 1951 that there were 312 baptisms in the twelve churches. Brother Humphries writes "In this work of evangelism fourteen bicycles were used a total of about 25,000 miles." Eighty-six pupils were enrolled in the village schools conducted by the missionaries. Four new congregations were established during the year. The mission publishes an 8-page quarterly called THE AFRICAN which is sent free upon request. Forwarding agent is: Milton W. Dills, Minister, P. O. Box 6, St. C., Cincinnati 26, Ohio.

J. Willis Hale is coming by plane from Manila to bring the opening address of the Northwest Direct-Support Missionary Conference on Thursday evening, March 13. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hale are well known among the Oregon churches. Hollins Duhon from the French Acadian Mission in Louisiana brings the closing message on Friday evening. Mel Byers from the Tibetan border and Burma will speak at the Missionary Banquet which will be served at the First Baptist Church. Reports will be heard Friday afternoon from Miss Edna Hunt of the Kulpahar, India mission and David Rees, Yunnan-Tibetan Mission.

J. Frank Cunningham is general chairman of the conference. W. W. White is program chairman and Harry Chapin, song leader.

The Neilan Dodsons have moved to Nanton, Alberta, Canada from Vulcan to reside where his ministry centers. They lived with the James Chapman family at Vulcan until a house could be obtained in Nanton. Their new address is Box 392, Alberta, Canada.

BROTHERHOOD STRESSED AT CHRISTIAN HOUSES

By William Terbeek

One of the highlights of churchmanship exhibited by Christian House students in Corvallis was the conducting of the morning worship at the Christian Church on February 3. Twenty students took part in the service, providing ushers, deacons, and elders in addition to those on the chancel. Those delivering the sermons were: Patricia Swango, Coburg; Lee Gerold, Corvallis; and Herbert Duncan, Mossyrock, Washington. Others assisting were: Communion meditation, Celia Weaver, Salem; morning prayer, John Blankenbaker, Crabtree; minister, Dick Lauer, Portland; and elders Orville Carroll, Sisters; and Bill Saltzman, Columbus, Ohio. The people of the Church felt the service was conducted with as much dignity and sincerity as any service held there. It was an inspiration for all to see and hear the consecration of these Oregon State College students.

This month has been devoted to understanding the Christians of other countries. Panels of Christian students from other lands have told of the Church in their countries of Ceylon, Burma, Japan and Latvia. World Student Day of Prayer on February 17, and the following International Week on the campus have helped the understanding of Christians the world around.

Doris Rose, Wilma Stroebel, Dick Lauer, and Bill Saltzman conducted the worship service at the W.C.T.U. Farm Home for children on February 17, also.

February being Brotherhood Month, the Eugene Christian House program has featured many international occasions. Our four delegates to the national Student Volunteer Movement Convention in Lawrence, Kansas, have thrilled us with reports of that great gathering of 2200 missionary-minded students from all campuses across the nation. They have reported at Christian House, at the N.C.C. Chapel Hour, and to the University Religious Council. Churches wishing to use these four youth should contact the Eugene Christian House right away.

At the Tuesday afternoon International Hour programs, speakers have been Elias Lavi, of Teheran, Iran; Dr. Paul B. Means, department of religion at the University of Oregon, recently returned from Malaya; Jochanan Stensch, foreign student from Israel; and Dr. Malcolm Norment now of White Swan, Washington and formerly of Paraquay. Marcus Gih of China was a recent speaker for Race Relations Sunday.

Students participated in the all-campus International Festival at the University of Oregon on Saturday, February 16, when the 120 foreign students at the University plus those from other campuses in the state, snared their talents. The Christian House students invited the campus Cosmopolitan Club to a "Treble Clef" party at the House, and later attended a Cosmopolitan Party at Plymouth House, thus fostering a better acquaintance among the foreign students and our Christian House students.

The second Sunday of Youth Week, February 3, students led the morning worship at Eugene First Church. Participants included Wah Chun, Hawaii; Mary Alice Baker, Eugene; Mitzi Asai, Hood River Valley; Ralph Adams, Jerome, Idaho; and Pat Hartley, Seattle, Washington. Elders for the two Youth Week Sundays were also students: Ray Shields, Albany; Preston Bradley, Turlock, California; Leo Berg, Portland; and Ralph Adams.

"Prayer" has been the subject of discussion at the Graduate Students Fellowship. On February 20th, students had special tables at the church's special dinner meeting to hear G. Hayden Stewart of Fellowship House, Seattle, speak on prayer cell groups. Thursday evenings at ten o'clock, Christian House is holding House Devotions not only for residents, but also for all interested students.

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Around The State With The Churches

DRAIN: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ferrell of N. C. C. are now supplying as student pastors. The church plans to have an evangelistic meeting March 25-30. March 30 is to be Charter Sunday for the founding of the new Christian Church in Drain. One added by baptism, 9 otherwise. **LIBERTY:** Mrs. Ronald Moshier held a very successful leadership training course January 24-27. One added by baptism. John Myers, minister.

MILTON-FREEWATER: An East Oregon, East Washington 90&9 Men's dinner meeting was held on Mon. Feb. 25, with Hartzell Cobb of Boise, speaker. During the recent illness of minister Truman Robbins, the pulpit was filled by Ray Renzema, associate pastor of Central Christian Church in Walla Walla. Ed Eldridge and the N.C.C. quartet were present at the morning service on Feb. 24. Five added by baptism, 5 otherwise. **HERMISTON:** Church is planning an evangelistic visitation campaign with Ed Dewees this spring. The Truth Seekers class with Mrs. Ralph Saylor as teacher, is growing and is one of the reasons for the over 200 attendance in Bible School. Mrs. Elvis Smith, reporter; Wallace Jones, minister. Three added by statement.

ST. HELENS: Since February 1, have changed the Lord's Day evening program and find it is creating greater interest, particularly among the adults. At 6:30 group meetings for children, youth and adults; 7:15 worship service; 8:15 After-Glow—a get-to-gether for all, singing favorite hymns, reading poems, etc. and becoming better acquainted. Since last report death took one of our precious little fellows and faithful attendant in Bible School, Bobby Wagner, the 8 year old son of Mr. Clarence Wagner, chairman of the church board. Three added by baptism, one otherwise. R. L. Putnam, minister.

GLENWOOD: One added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Leonard Galer, minister. **JUNCTION CITY:** Church is planning a Church School of Missions for the last four Sunday evenings in March and feel that this will be a big help. Have just completed a leadership training school with Harrisburg, Coburg, Alvadore, Franklis and Brownsville. This has been an exceptionally good school this year and the members have received a great deal of good from it. One added by baptism, 3 otherwise.

PORTLAND - SOUTHEAST: Gene Chamberlain reports a drive planned to increase subscriptions to the Oregon Christian. Three added by baptism, 4 otherwise. **PLEASANT HILL:** One added by baptism. Clyde Blakley, minister. **MILL CITY:** A Fisherman's contest is helping boost the Bible School attendance. With 101 present February 10, the highest attendance of the ministry of Hugh E. Jull was recorded. This was 6% higher than on last Easter. Church has purchased a Janssen-Organo combination piano and electronic organ. Members are doing some much-needed painting and repairing, starting with the basement. The N. C. C. Quartet, with Ed Eldridge presented a program on March 2.

GLADSTONE: New card racks have been installed on the pews for offering envelopes and pastor's information cards. Bible School average for January was 147 as compared with 120 a year ago in the same month. Cub Scouts with adult leader attended worship services on February 10. Stressing Week of Compassion with offering received on March 2 and Church World Service film shown on February 28 to promote cause. Nelson E. Cole, minister. **PORTLAND-CENTRAL:** Five added by baptism, 7 otherwise. Ralph Holcomb, minister.

MILWAUKIE: A young married couple, Mr. and Mrs. Don Summers, and 2 teen age girls, Jo Ann Reedy and Gertrude Anderson, have dedicated themselves for full time Christian service. Alger Fitch, minister, conducted a series of 8 weekly classes of preaching instruction for the elders. One of them, Ken Powell, supplied the pulpit February 17 at Estacada and on February 24 a team of elders from Milwaukie will conduct the Worship Hour service there. Two added by baptism, 1 otherwise. **GATES:** Dedication of new building will be Sunday morning, April 20. Everyone is cordially invited. Loren Swanson, minister.

SWEET HOME: B. Ross Evans, minister, reports church promoting subscriptions to The Oregon Christian. Eight added by baptism, 2 otherwise. **MARCOLA:** Plans for a revised budget now in progress; attendance maintaining average of last year. Youth Valentine banquet held on February 14 with about 40 in attendance. Bob and Betty Sullivan called as youth directors. Two added by statement. John Smith, pastor.

SUTHERLIN: Church is in the process

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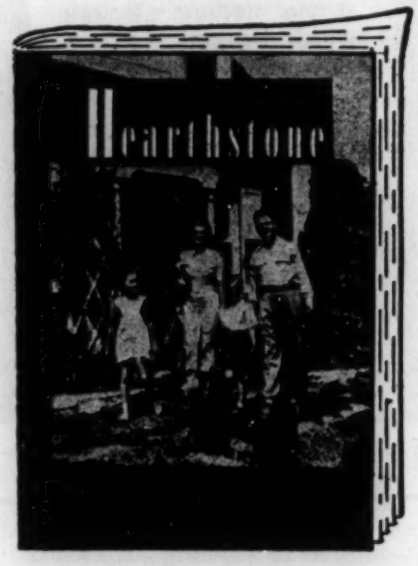

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of erecting a parsonage. Starting out last summer with no building fund, just faith, the congregation had a vision of the need. Lumber has been donated by four local mills, volunteer help on the part of the Church men and individual donations of cash and materials have given a wonderful start. The cement for foundation is poured the floor joists are in place and the sub floor will go on soon. Have committee working on new subscriptions for The Oregon Christian. The church is seeking a minister. Applications may be sent to H. F. Hebard, Rt 2, Box 977, Roseburg, Oregon. Two added by baptism.

NEWPORT: N. C. C. Sojourners Quartet spent February 17 at the church, singing at the morning worship hour and taking charge of the evening service. The young people had a waffle dinner following the service. A free-will offering was taken for N. C. C. Many people attended both services and the church was blessed by their service. Three added by statement. Wesley Goucher, minister.

PORTLAND-FIRST: Campaign for financing the Community Center was launched March 2. Expect to raise in cash and pledges the entire $50,000.00 of its cost. First floor is now in use by the pre-school and primary departments. The Youth Center will be moved there in summer when the Jewish brethren move to their new building. Goal of 102 new members set for Bayne Driskill Campaign. Earl Bratney, Chairman of Visitation Evangelism Committee has organized well. Several captains have enlisted more than 100 workers. Charles C. Manker Jr., Minister of Youth Work and Christian Education, attended Christian Education Division Meeting of National Council of Churches in Columbus, Ohio. He was elected Chairman of the Disciples Fellowship of Christian Education Directors. Six added by baptism, 8 otherwise. Myron C. Cole, minister.

YONCALLA: Five added by baptism, 3 otherwise, reports Fred Evans. **McMINNVILLE:** Have set Palm Sunday for Decision Day. A week of nightly visitation will precede the day and a week of preaching will follow leading up to Easter. The State Christian Endeavor Convention will be held in McMinnville church, April 24-27. Elery A. Parrish, minister. **HOOD RIVER:** Youth to present a "BO-GI Program" the first part of March. Readings, skits and fun for all will feature the program. Church and youth were hosts to the Mid-Columbia and Central Oregon Youth Fellowship, February 29 and March 1; also delegates from the group plan to attend the Oregon C. E. Union State Convention in McMinnville, April 24-27. Northwest Christian College Quartet presented a concert February 24. Ed Eldridge was the speaker. Two added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Vernon. F. Fishback, minister.

ALBANY: The church parsonage has been converted into "Fellowship House" providing space for the Primary and Junior departments, the High School class and pastor's study. This gives much needed space for the enlarging Bible School which averaged 348 per week for January. Alice Ahern and Eleanor Bower of N. C. C. are helping with an extended session for the primary group. Mrs. George Bever, church secretary, leads the Junior church. Leadership Training class with Mrs. Lester Jones teacher, meets each Sunday night at 6:30, with enrollment of 27. Twelve young people plan to attend the youth meet at Salem. Week of Compassion dinner scheduled for February 21 with Mrs. Elmer Boyer, speaker. George Bever continues as associate pastor. Lester Jones, minister, reports 1 added by statement.

POWELL BUTTE: Attendance of 110 in Bible School last 2 Sundays. Work progressing on new unit with windows in and wiring done—ready for floor, plastering and brick work. Have class of 20 in "Training for Service" taught by pastor, D. L. Penhollow. Since January 1 there have been 13 added by baptism, 2 otherwise. **SALEM-FIRST:** School of Missions began February 20 and continued for 5 nights, on Wednesdays and Sundays. Christian Youth Fellowship meet for Willamette Valley Area held here on Friday and Saturday, February 22-23. Evangelistic meeting with Dr. E. R. Moon of Springfield, planned for near future. Two added by baptism, 8 otherwise. Dudley Strain, minister.

NEWBERG: W. W. White, minister of Fairmount Church, Eugene led in a 3 week evangelistic program; one week of Visitation Evangelism, and 2 weeks of preaching following. Decision Day results of February 24 to be reported later. Two added by statement. J. Frank Cunningham, minister. **OREGON CITY:** Pastor Howard F. Hutchins will be with the church at Florence, Oregon for two weeks, starting February 17. Bill Imhoff of the Oregon City Church is the pastor. The Florence church has been engaged in Visitation campaign getting ready for the revival meeting. Three added by baptism. **ROSEBURG:** Great meeting with Jones-Keister Team in progress with additions at almost every service. Record attendances in Bible School for this time of year—504 on February 10; 505 on February 17. Good crowds at all preaching services; at least 200 present every evening so far. Many prayers being answered and homes united in Christ. The people are working for Christ as never before. Over $20,000.00 now in Educational Building Fund. R. V. Kleinfeldt, minister, reports 15 added by baptism, 5 otherwise.

EUGENE-FAIRMOUNT: Ren Hollister is supplying for pastor, W. W. White, while he is in Newberg holding an Evangelistic Campaign. On March 9 Hollins Duhon, of the French Acadian work in Louisiana, will be our guest speaker both morning and evening. For the 3 Sundays in February—2 added by baptism, 5 otherwise. Beginning March 30, Brother Ed Dewees will lead the Fairmount Church of Christ, Eugene, in a week of Visitation Evangelism. This week of Visitation will be followed by a Week of Preaching beginning April 6 to 13, by Brother Don DeWelt. The goal for this combined effort is that 63 souls might be added to the Church.

PORTLAND-KERN PARK: George Whipple, minister, reports that 15 placed membership with the Church during February, two by baptism. Dr. C. R. Beatty re-elected chairman of Church board; L. L. Arnett re-elected chairman of elders. There were 56 perfect attenders in Bible School for the year 1951 given special awards by Charles H. Addleman, State Secretary, on Sunday, January 20. Largest Bible School attendance this month was 338. An increased budget has been oversubscribed thus far this year. Dr. Ross J. Griffeth will be guest leader for Kern Park in the Bayne Driskill Evangelistic Program, March 23-30. Preparation goes on with calling regularly.

LEBANON: Ivan Correll, minister, reports 6 added by baptism, 8 otherwise. **WILLAMINA:** Teachers and workers sponsored a retreat at Wi-Ne-Ma, February 15-16. Theme, "Membership Conservation." Newell Morgan, minister at Hillsboro, guest speaker; 18 attended. Leo Woodruff, minister.

VERNONIA: C. F. Swander, pastor, reports 2 added by baptism. **COBURG:** Ed Dewees will be leading the church in directed visitation during the week of March 10 to be followed by a preaching rally on March 17, 18 and 19, conducted by W. W. White of Fairmount Church in Eugene. **SPRINGFIELD:** The last four nights of January were given to visitation evangelism with Ward Rice giving an inspirational talk each night. There were 31 new members added as a result. Others signed cards who will be coming later. Followed the visitation with a week of preaching. Music was in charge of Roger Aydelott and his wife. Eighteen added by baptism, 13 otherwise. E. R. Moon, minister.

EUGENE-FIRST: Mrs. Ellen Stokes, Secretary, reports 2 added by baptism, 5 otherwise. Dr. Malcolm Norment, Director of Yakima Indian Mission, here for several days. He spoke to the Primary Department; brought the 11:00 a.m. morning message at College Crest Church; also spoke at Allison Park Church; was speaker at International Tea Hour at Christian Hour and at the Springfield Church. Dr. Norment opened the "Family World Friendship" program in the class session conducted by Dr. Roberts, minister, with a talk on Paraguay. Launched another church, Bethel, being held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Murrel C. Maugh. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Thuma are the ministers. Two have been added by transfer. **ALLISON PARK CHRISTIAN:** Seven by transfer. **COLLEGE CREST:** Three added by baptism, 1 transfer.

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Around The State With The Churches

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BURNS: Bible School attendance is averaging 15% above total church membership. An "All Boy concert was presented at the High School auditorium by 30 boys of the church on February 26. By this means the boys finance their own program without being subsidized by the church. The receipts of the church for regular expenses and missionary and building fund total $1,000.00 per month—thanks to tithing. Six added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Len B. Fishback, minister. **NOTI:** Exchanged pulpits with St. Marks Methodist Church (colored) in observance of Race Relations Sunday. Resulted in a higher degree of fellowship and understanding among God's children of this area. James Covington, minister of the St. Marks Methodist Church of W. 11th St., Eugene and Wilbur Hughey, minister of church at Noti, participated. One added by baptism.

ALVADORE: Otis R. Bell, minister, reports two confessions on February 17. Six new Sunday School class rooms being used while in the process of being painted. **MEDFORD:** Special services for Scout Sunday morning worship with about 30 scouts attending. An Eagle Scout belonging to this church, and a member of the church sponsored Scout troop, was presented the God and Country Award of the Crater Area, the 7th boy of the church to win this award. There were 65 in attendance at the Youth Week Sweetheart Banquet. During the month of February all Church school classes are bringing clothing of their own age size for Jamaica relief. The Youth of the church were hosts to the Southern Oregon Fellowship Meet, February 15-16. Two added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Shelvy Anglemyer, minister.

MONMOUTH: Bible School attendance up. February church night had John Smith and David Jaynes, students from N. C. C. (originally from this church) preach, play and sing. Definite plans made for a new furnace in church building. One added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Lynnton Elwell, minister. **HILLSBORO:** Seven added by baptism, 7 otherwise, reports Newell Morgan, minister. **BEND:** Sopnsoring University of Christian Living with five classes held each Sunday evening at 6:30 for six week. Indoctrination of new members and leadership training. Enrolled over 100. About 40 of these, youth. Bible School has outgrown building. Interest in improvements shown by all. Four added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Wm. Henry Hart, minister. **ASHLAND:** Jones-Keister team held meeting January 17 to February 3. There were 29 responses to the invitation. First week was devoted to calling. Had greatest audiences in the history of the church each night. Three confessions and one by statement since meeting. Many prospects for future. 19 added by baptism, 15 otherwise during last 2 months. Earl F. Downing, minister.

BAKER: Planning a visitation evangelism and week of preaching starting March 30. Goal of 31 decisions set. Have 62 prayer covenant cards signed so far. Starting a "shepherding plan" of keeping in contact with members of church. Two added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Joe Jewett, minister.

ENTERPRISE: Pastor, Walter A. Barnes, attended Oregon's first Church Life Revival at Nyssa under direction of Dale Medearis, with view of conducting this type of meeting in Enterprise under direction of Charles Addleman March 26 to April 4. Monthly fellowship dinners started with added feature of "Life of Paul" motion pictures series. Junior C. E. and Bible Club started for children. Primary room of Bible School completely refinished. New members added since January 1952 to receive subscriptions for The Oregon Christian. Oil stove installed in parsonage. One added by baptism, 4 otherwise.

DALLAS: Just concluded a visitation campaign under the direction of Ed Eldridge. There were 10 additions. Most of these were high school young people. Many good contacts made. Average church attendance for the month of February—205; average for same period last year—180. Callers were so enthusiastic about this type of evangelism they voted to continue calling every Tuesday night from now till Easter. Earl Gibbs and Bill Phillips were honored February 10 with the presentation of the Boy Scout "God and Country" award. Young people of the Harrisburg church presented a drama here on February 17. Orville F. Mick, pastor.

HEPPNER: Bible School attendance on the increase, about 30% higher than last year. Young married people's class arrange a vase of flowers on breakfast trays each Sunday for the patients in local hospital. Begin meeting with Joe Jewett and an N. C. C. girls trio soon. Earl L. Soward, pastor. **LA GRANDE:** Contest with Sunday School being held with Pendleton church. La Grande in lead. La Grande church entertained Eastern Oregon Preachers during February. Youth Banquet held January 27 in observance of youth week. Eastern Oregon Youth Fellowship meet held at La Grande March 7-8. One added by statement. Gene Robinson, minister.

MOLLALA: Attendance is highest in history of church since beginning services in new building. The lowest Sunday School attendance so far was 95 as compared with an average of low 80's before moving into the building. Dedication services were held February 17 with E. M. Eldridge giving the afternoon message and the N. C. C. quartet presenting music. A sacred program was presented by the Quartet and Mr. Eldridge in the evening. Hope to complete basement and landscaping in near future. One added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Orris L. Doty, minister.

NYSSA: Completed successful Church Life Revival under the leadership of Dale W. Medearis, director of Town and Country Churches for our brotherhood. The 12-day meeting included a survey of local community, visitation evangelism and evangelistic preaching. Two added by confession and 6 otherwise. Austin J. Hollingsworth, minister.

COQUILLE: Seniors had charge of Bible School assembly and evening service during youth week. Conducted a week of visitation without outside help. All who participated very enthusiastic. Two added by baptism, 2 otherwise. I. M. Nelson, pastor. **PORTLAND - ENGLEWOOD:** Mrs. Brooks Wescott has been doing an excellent job in leading the youth choir and Mr. Harvey Adams the adult choir at Englewood. Englewood's church school has in attendance over 200 children. It has been necessary to have the entire primary department meet at 10:55, during the regular morning worship hour so that additional space may be utilized. The Juniors use the same space an hour earlier. Englewood's Goal in the present Bayne Driskill campaign, which ends March 30, is 71. Clay J. Pomeroy, minister.

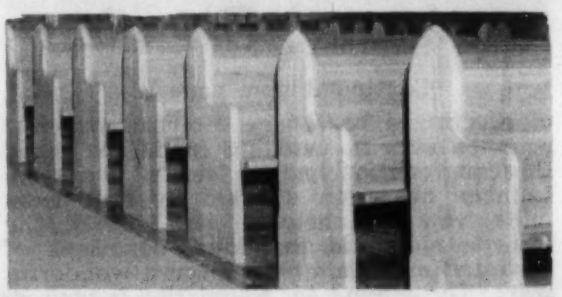
ROCKAWAY: 100% Bibles in Bible School, January 13, 1952. Mrs. Elmer Boyer spoke at the morning and evening services January 6. One young man dedicated his life to full time Christian service. Garibaldi and Rockaway young people have been meeting together for fellowship occasionally. Five added by baptism. John P. Frink, minister. **PEORIA:** The members of the Peoria Christian Church are now in the process of buying new song books through a very unique dime saving campaign. It is hoped that within a month the new books can be purchased and paid for in full. Philip Wolfe, minister.

ONTARIO: Successful visitation evangelism campaign held under the leadership of Ed Eldridge, field representative of N. C. C. Final results to be reported later. Emil Helseth, minister. **CORVALLIS:** Donald Helseth, N. C. C. graduate of a few years back, has been called as minister replacing Donald Payne who is now serving as Minister of Christian Education at Salem First Church. Mr. Helseth has been serving as associate minister with the East Dallas Christian Church, Dallas, Texas.

DAVID PAUL McMULLIN, a junior at the College of the Bible, Lexington, Kentucky, has been called as pastor of the Crittenden Christian Church, Crittenden, Ky. Mr. McMullin is a former member of Portland First Church.

SHERIDAN: Frank W. Zook, minister, reports Bible School and prayer-meeting steadily gaining in interest and attendance. The Young People's Bible class (High School), taught by the minister, averaging 25. Preparations under way for a great Easter, including a Cantata. Two added by baptism, 2 otherwise.

ONTARIO: Church led in Visitation Evangelism Campaign by Ed Eldridge of N.C.C. Sickness and bad weather conditions hindered much. Visitation program to continue one night per week until Easter. Emil J. Helseth, minister, reports 21 added by baptism, 6 otherwise.



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